

Serial No. 09/990,771

#### REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Official Action dated October 6, 2003.

Claims 1 - 66 were pending in the application.

Claims 1 - 66 were subject to a restriction requirement.

By way of this amendment, the Applicant has canceled claims 31-66.

Claims 1- 30 remain pending in the Application.

#### RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION:

Claims 1-66 were subject to a restriction requirement under 35 USC §121.

The Examiner indicated that claim 1 was generic to a plurality of distinct species comprising apparatus, methods and circuits for driving lasers.

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-30 directed to "apparatus for driving lasers".

Claims 31-66 have been canceled subject to the filing of a divisional application.

Accordingly, the Application is now believed to be in proper condition for examination on the merits.

Corresponding action is respectfully solicited.

PTO is authorized to charge any additional fees incurred as a result of the filing hereof or credit any overpayment to our account #02-0900.

Respectfully submitted,



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